

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Juel on 5/23/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Specification:

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- Pg. ~~14~~, line ~~13~~: "coefficient and" has been replaced with - - coefficient *a* and - -

In the Claims:

- Claim 5, line 2: " $L = 1n(M - a \cdot t / b \cdot s X e)$ " has been replaced with - - $L = (1 / \ln(e \times (M - a \cdot t) / (b \cdot s))) \times 15$ - -
- Claims 9 and 10 have been cancelled

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mohammad S. Adhami whose telephone number is (571)272-8615. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou can be reached on (571)272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.